

Bringing New Parks to Your Community
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The first of two community parks serving Torrey Del Mar and Torrey Highlands will break ground next month, fulfilling a promise I made to community members to make sure that this project was completed earlier than initially planned.

Torrey Del Mar Park was originally scheduled to open in 2011. After I was elected to the City Council in 2000, I worked with the Torrey Del Mar neighborhood and local home developers to open this park prior to 2011. This cooperation has moved up the park opening by four years.

The five-acre site at the corner of Kerry Lane and Torrey Del Mar Road will feature a variety of passive and active recreation facilities such as a basketball court, two play area for older and younger children, picnic tables and benches, grassy areas, walkways and landscaping.

Building and improving community parks has been one of my highest priorities during my time on the City Council. Thanks to our year-round beautiful weather, San Diego's parks are heavily used. As communities grow, it is important for the City to build new parks to relieve crowding at existing facilities and provide a recreation area closer to new communities.

In May, the City Council unanimously approved the acquisition of the park land and the bidding process for the construction of Torrey Del Mar Park. Since then, my office has been able to expedite the title transfer and city staff's time on the project.

A contractor for the project was recently chosen and construction will begin this month. We will officially break ground on October 9, 2006 at 10:30 AM at the park site. Construction is expected to be complete in late summer or fall of 2007.

Each new park opening expands the opportunity for our children to play outdoors and enjoy the neighborhoods in which they live. I thank you for your patience and all the support you have given my office to allow us to realize your goals for the community. Please contact me if you have any comments or suggestions at scottpeters@sanidiego.gov.

Important Vote Next Month

Next month, San Diego County voters will decide whether or not regional leaders should try to work with Navy and Marine Corps officials to build a civilian airport at MCAS Miramar. Frankly, this idea just won't fly. Military and congressional leaders could not be more clear about their strong objections to any joint-use proposal. There are also far too many negative consequences for communities along the I-15 corridor, such as noise pollution and additional traffic.

I will remain vigilant in my efforts to protect the citizens of Council District One. I urge all residents to make sure their voter registration is up to date and VOTE on November 7. The future of our region is in your hands.